

Memorandum

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To: Robert Pernell, Commissioner and Presiding Member
William J. Keese, Chairman and Associate Member

From: **California Energy Commission** - Kevin Kennedy
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Subject: **POTRERO POWER PLANT UNIT 7 PROJECT (00-AFC-4) – 1) REVISED AQ TESTIMONY AND SOLICITATION FOR ADDITIONAL AQ MITIGATION IDEAS; AND 2) EXPECTED STAFF ABSENCES DURING THE JANUARY 15 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2003 TIME PERIOD.**

Staff included in its Air Quality testimony a requirement for local mitigation of air quality impacts, recommending payment into an existing BAAQMD program for retrofitting diesel buses or similar mitigation. Staff plans to update that testimony prior to the Air Quality hearing with information on the current status of the BAAQMD program, and will continue to explore additional local options for mitigation of air quality impacts. Staff hereby solicits ideas from the other parties and the public. Staff will need until February 14, 2003 in order to prepare revised air quality testimony if the information is received by January 15, 2003, and if the project does not change again. It is requested that local mitigation ideas be provided no later than January 15, 2003, to Marc Pryor at mpryor@energy.state.ca.us, or by mail at 1516 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Should the Committee decide to hold hearings in the January through March time frame, we have provided dates when key staff have scheduled time off. We respectfully request the Committee to consider this information when scheduling hearings.

EXPECTED STAFF ABSENCES (Dates are Inclusive)

Person	Area	Scheduled Absences
Mike Ringer	Senior for AQ and PH	Feb. 11, 13 and 14
Tuan Ngo	Air Quality	None
Obed Odoemelam	Public Health	None
Amanda Stennick	Socioeconomics	Jan. 17
Michael Fajans	Socioeconomics	Jan. 29; Feb. 10 and 18; and Mar. 10
Dick Ratliff	Staff Counsel	None
Bill Westerfield	Staff Counsel	None
Marc Pryor	Project Manager	Feb. 10, 11, 13, and 14
Kevin Kennedy	Program Manager	Feb. 13, 14

cc: POS